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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW FOURTEEN (14) PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, AND 2011-12 (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve and authorize the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute the renewal of fourteen (14) Patient/Client Services Agreements, as listed in Attachment A, for Fiscal Years (FY) 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12, using an agreement format substantially similar to Attachment A-1. These contractors provide Department of Mental Health (DMH) with access to continuous, uninterrupted transportation services for severely and persistently mentally ill adults and seriously emotionally disturbed (SED) children and adolescents at a total cost of \$1,500,000, funded by Sales Tax Realignment Funds.
- 2. Authorize the Director or his designee to enter into new agreements with additional Patient/Client Transportation agencies and authorize the Director or his designee to prepare and execute amendments to these Agreements, provided that: 1) the County's total payments to each contractor under the Agreement for each fiscal year shall not exceed an increase of 20 percent from the applicable revised contracted rate; 2) any increase shall be used to provide additional services or to reflect program and/or policy changes; 3) the Board of Supervisors has appropriated sufficient funds for all changes; 4) approval of County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or their designee is obtained prior to any such Amendment; 5) County and contractor may, by written amendments, reduce programs or services and revise the applicable contracted

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rate; and 6) the Director of Mental Health shall notify the Board of Supervisors of Agreement changes in writing within 30 days after execution of each Amendment.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Board approval is requested due to the June 30, 2007 expiration date of the existing Patient/Client Transportation Services Agreements. The renewal of these agreements is necessary to continue the transportation services for severely and persistently mentally ill adults and SED children and adolescents without interruption. Board approval will allow DMH to continue to contract with new qualified providers as the need arises.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan Programmatic Goals No. 1, "Service Excellence", No. 3, "Organizational Effectiveness", No. 5, "Children and Families' Well-Being", No. 6, "Community Services", and No. 7, "Health and Mental Health." Renewing these agreements will continue to promote the collaborative partnership between government and community agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no increase in net County cost. The 14 agreements will be funded at the rates detailed in Attachment A. Ambulances have a base rate of \$111.00 per call, plus \$3.75 per mile one way; ambulances have a base rate of \$80.00 per call, plus \$2.50 per mile one way; and ambulances have a "built-in" rate for early arrivals.

These Agreements will be funded with Sales Tax Realignment Funds in the amount of \$1,500,000 and is included in DMH's FY 2007-08 Proposed Budget. Funding for FYs 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 will be requested through DMH's annual budget process.

The Patient/Client Transportation Services Agreements include provisions that allow the County to reduce the rates or terminate the agreements as a result of funding reductions in the County and State budgets.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The renewal of 14 Patient/Client Transportation Agreements as listed in Attachment A will provide DMH with access to continuous, uninterrupted transportation services for severely and persistently mentally ill adults and SED children and adolescents.

The Agreement format has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The CAO has reviewed the proposed actions. Clinical and administrative staff of DMH will also continue to administer and supervise the agreements, evaluate programs to ensure that quality services are being provided to clients, and ensure that Agreement provisions and Departmental policies are being followed.

Attachment A provides information regarding Supervisorial Districts, services provided and Agreement term. Attachment A-2 provides information regarding Contracting with Minority/Women-Owned Firms: Percentage of Ownership In Firms Contracting with the County.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

DMH is currently contracted with 14 contractors whose contracts expire on June 30, 2007. These 14 agreements are being renewed because of the continuing need for accessible client transportation services for severely and persistently mentally ill adults and SED children and adolescents throughout Los Angeles County.

Board approved renewal process will allow DMH to continue to add new qualified Patient/Client Transportation Services contractors following the guidelines of the Department and the needs of our clientele residing within the County of Los Angeles. New prospective contractors who petition to provide transportation services with the Department will be evaluated by our program staff as to their qualifications and current needs.

This Board letter will not be posted on the County's Bid Webpage as this does not involve a Request for Proposal.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Upon Board approval, the renewal of these agreements will allow existing contractors to provide uninterrupted, accessible transportation services to clients throughout Los Angeles County. Furthermore, DMH will continue to add contractors, so long as they

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qualify based on their qualifications and current needs. Without Board approval, these services as specified in this Board letter will no longer be available.

CONCLUSION

The Department of Mental Health will need one (1) copy of the adopted Board actions. It is requested that the Executive Officer of the Board notify the Department of Mental Health Contracts Development and Administration Division at (213) 738-4684 when this document is available.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin J. Southard, D.S.W. Director of Mental Health

MJS:SAS:KW:RK

Attachments (3)

c: Chief Administrative Officer

County Counsel

Chairperson, Mental Health Commission

RK:MJ: Renewal Agrnt Pt/Client Transport. FY07-08+) #13 (05-17-07)

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH Contracts Development and Administration Division

SPECIALIZED CONTRACT RENEWALS FOR FYs 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, AND 2011-12 PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS*

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^{*} Basic Rate + Mileage Rate: Ambulances have a base rate of \$111.00 per call, plus \$3.75 per mile one way.
There is a "built-in" rate for early arrivals for ambulances only. Ambuletters/Vans have a base rate of \$80.00 per call, plus \$2.50 per mile one way.

^{**} Patient/Client Transportation Agreements provide DMH with access to continuous, uninterrupted transportation services for everely and persistently mentally ill adults and SED children and adolescents.

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Business Address:	N/A
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CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

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Contract No.	

PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this	day of, 2007, by and between
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter "County") and	
	(hereafter "Contractor")
	Business Address:
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WHEREAS, County desires to provide to those persons in Los Angeles who qualify therefor, certain mental health services contemplated and authorized by the Bronzan-McCorquodale Act, California Welfare and Institutions Code (hereafter "WIC") Section 5600 et seg.; and

WHEREAS, County has a need to transport certain mental health patients/ clients between its various hospitals, between private and County hospitals, and from County facilities to State mental hospitals, etc.; and

WHEREAS, County believes it is in the best interest of the people of the County of Los Angeles to provide these services by contract; and

WHEREAS, Contractor, in conjunction with various other ambulance and ambulette operators with whom County will also be contracting, owns and/or operates such vehicles and is equipped, staffed and prepared to provide these services as described in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the following terms, as used in this Agreement, shall have the following meanings:

- A. "Day(s)" means calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified;
- B. "Director" means County's Director of Mental Health or her duly authorized designee;
- C. "DMH" means County's Department of Mental Health;
- D. "Fiscal Year" means County's Fiscal Year which commences July 1, and ends the following June 30;
- E. "ATC" means DMH's Access Telecommunication Center;
- F. "PMRT" means a DMH Psychiatric Mobile Response Team; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is contemplated and authorized by California Health and Safety Code Sections 1443 and 1444; WIC Sections 5600.9, 5601(g) 5608 and 5652.5; Title 9, California Code of Regulations, Section 523; California Government Code Sections 23004 and 26227; and otherwise.

PREAMBLE

For over a decade, the County has collaborated with its community partners to enhance the capacity of the health and human services system to improve the lives of children and families. These efforts require, as a fundamental expectation, that the County's contracting partners share the County and community's commitment to provide health and human services that support achievement of the County's vision, goals, values, and adopted outcomes. Key to these efforts is the integration of service delivery systems and the adoption of the Customer Service and Satisfaction Standards.

The County of Los Angeles' Vision is to improve the quality of life in the County by providing responsive, efficient, and high quality public services that promote the self-sufficiency, well-being and prosperity of individuals, families, business and communities. This philosophy of teamwork and collaboration is anchored in the shared values of:

- Responsiveness
- Professionalism
- Accountability
- Compassion

- ➤ Integrity
- > Commitment
- > A Can-Do Attitude
- Respect for Diversity

These shared values are encompassed in the County Mission to enrich lives through effective and caring service and the County Strategic Plan's eight goals: 1) Service Excellence; 2) Workforce Excellence; 3) Organizational Effectiveness; 4) Fiscal Responsibility; 5) Children and Families' Well-Being; 6) Community Services; 7) Health and Mental Health; and 8) Public Safety. Improving the well-being of children and families requires coordination, collaboration, and integration of services across functional and jurisdictional boundaries, by and between County departments/agencies, and community and contracting partners.

The basic conditions that represent the well-being we seek for all children and families in Los Angeles County are delineated in the following five outcomes, adopted by the Board of Supervisors in January 1993.

- Good Health;
- Economic Well-Being;
- Safety and Survival;
- · Emotional and Social Well-Being; and
- · Education and Workforce Readiness.

Recognizing no single strategy - in isolation - can achieve the County's outcomes of well-being for children and families, consensus has emerged among County and community leaders that making substantial improvements in integrating the County's health and human services system is necessary to significantly move toward achieving these outcomes. The County has also established the following values and goals for guiding this effort to integrate the health and human services delivery system:

✓ Families are treated with respect in every encounter they have with the health, educational, and social services systems.

- ✓ Families can easily access a broad range of services to address their needs, build on their strengths, and achieve their goals.
- ✓ There is no "wrong door": wherever a family enters the system is the right place.
- ✓ Families receive services tailored to their unique situations and needs.
- ✓ Service providers and advocates involve families in the process of determining service plans, and proactively provide families with coordinated and comprehensive information, services, and resources.
- ✓ The County service system is flexible, able to respond to service demands for both the Countywide population and specific population groups.
- ▼ The County service system acts to strengthen communities, recognizing that just as individuals live in families, families live in communities.
- ✓ In supporting families and communities, County agencies work seamlessly with public and private service providers, community-based organizations, and other community partners.
- ✓ County agencies and their partners work together seamlessly to demonstrate substantial progress towards making the system more strength-based, family-focused, culturally-competent, accessible, user-friendly, responsive, cohesive, efficient, professional, and accountable.
- County agencies and their partners focus on administrative and operational enhancements to optimize the sharing of information, resources, and best practices while also protecting the privacy rights of families.
- ✓ County agencies and their partners pursue multi-disciplinary service delivery, a single service plan, staff development opportunities, infrastructure enhancements, customer service and satisfaction evaluation, and revenue maximization.
- ✓ County agencies and their partners create incentives to reinforce the direction toward service integration and a seamless service delivery system.
- ✓ The County human service system embraces a commitment to the disciplined pursuit of results accountability across systems. Specifically, any strategy designed to improve the County human services system for children and families should ultimately be judged by whether it helps achieve the County's five outcomes for children and families: good health, safety and survival, economic well-being, social and emotional well-being, and education and workforce readiness.

The County, its clients, contracting partners, and the community will continue to work together to develop practical ways to make County services more accessible, customer friendly, better integrated, and outcome-focused. Several departments have identified shared themes in their strategic plans for achieving these goals including: making an effort to become more consumer/client-focused; valuing community partnerships and collaborations; emphasizing values and integrity; and using a strengths-based and multi-disciplinary team approach. County departments are also working to provide the Board of Supervisors and the community with a better understanding of how resources are being utilized, how well services are being provided, and what are the results of the services: is anyone better off?

The County of Los Angeles health and human service departments and their partners are working together to achieve the following *Customer Service And Satisfaction Standards* in support of improving outcomes for children and families.

Personal Service Delivery

The service delivery team – staff and volunteers – will treat customers and each other with courtesy, dignity, and respect.

- Introduce themselves by name
- · Listen carefully and patiently to customers
- · Be responsive to cultural and linguistic needs
- Explain procedures clearly
- · Build on the strengths of families and communities

Service Access

Service providers will work proactively to facilitate customer access to services.

- · Provide services as promptly as possible
- Provide clear directions and service information
- Outreach to the community and promote available services
- Involve families in service plan development
- Follow-up to ensure appropriate delivery of services

Service Environment

Service providers will deliver services in a clean, safe, and welcoming environment, which supports the effective delivery of services.

- Ensure a safe environment
- Ensure a professional atmosphere
- Display vision, mission, and values statements
- Provide a clean and comfortable waiting area
- Ensure privacy
- Post complaint and appeals procedures

The basis for all County health and human services contracts is the provision of the highest level of quality services that support improved outcomes for children and families. The County and its contracting partners must work together and share a commitment to achieve a common vision, goals, outcomes, and standards for providing services.

NOW, THEREFORE, Contractor and County agree as follows:

and shall continue in full force and effect through the following June 30. This Agreement shall thereafter be automatically renewed from year to year without further action by either party, unless written notice of a party's intention not to so renew is given to the other party at least thirty days prior to the end of the then current Fiscal Year. This Agreement may be terminated without cause at any time by either party by giving at least thirty days' prior written notice to the other party. In any event, this Agreement shall terminate on June 30, 2012.

- A. <u>Six Months Notification of Agreement Expiration</u>: Contractor shall notify County when this Agreement is within six (6) months of expiration. Contractor shall send such notice to those persons and addresses which are set forth in Paragraph 61 (NOTICES).
- 2. <u>ADMINISTRATION</u>: Director shall have the authority to administer this Agreement on behalf of County. Contractor shall designate in writing a Contract Manager who shall function as liaison with County regarding Contractor's performance hereunder.

3. <u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES</u>:

- A. Contractor shall provide transportation for County patients/ clients only upon request by telephone of ATC. Such transportation shall be only to and from licensed community care facilities and/or other facilities providing mental health services within the geographical area comprised of Los Angeles County, San Bernardino County, Orange County, and Ventura County. Areas and facilities other than the aforementioned shall require prior written authorization of Director.
- B. Contractor shall keep certain of its ambulances and ambulettes available at predesignated locations approved by Director within Los Angeles County on a 24-hour basis. Contractor shall keep Director advised at all times of branch offices or auxiliary companies under control of Contractor's parent company, if any, together with their names, addresses, telephone numbers, the number of ambulances and ambulettes normally available from each address, and such other information as requested by Director.
- C. Contractor shall provide the service which may be specified by County which may include female attendants and type of transportation (i.e., ambulance or ambulette).
- D. Contractor shall further provide services in accordance with Exhibit A (PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION).
- 4. COUNTY'S OBLIGATION FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE FISCAL YEAR(S): Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall not be effective and binding upon the parties unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for purposes hereof in County's Budget for County's current Fiscal Year. Further, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Agreement during any of County's future Fiscal Years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for purposes hereof in County's Budget for each such future Fiscal Year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last Fiscal Year for which funds were appropriated.
- 5. <u>RESPONSIBILITY OF COUNTY</u>: County shall be responsible to determine and request the least restrictive and least costly form of transportation which is appropriate to the needs of the patient(s)/client(s) and in accordance with written DMH policies and guidelines as approved by Director.
- 6. <u>NONEXCLUSIVITY</u>: Contractor acknowledges that it is not the exclusive provider to DMH of contract transportation services as described in this Agreement. County reserves the right to request transportation services, including those transportation services described under this Agreement,

from providers other than Contractor. County also reserves the right to itself perform any transportation services with its own ambulance and/or ambulette vehicles and personnel.

7. RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR:

- A. <u>Licenses, Permits, and Certificates</u>: For all Contractor's personnel providing transportation services pursuant to this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain all records, including, but not limited to, drivers'/attendants' licenses and certificates. Contractor shall maintain all ambulance/ambulette licenses and permits and business licenses. Such records shall include, but not be limited to, license, permit or certificate numbers and expiration dates.
- B. <u>Inspections and Permits</u>: Ambulances and ambulettes used pursuant to this Agreement shall be subject to inspection by the California Highway Patrol and also by County staff in accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the Los Angeles County Code as the same is now enacted or may hereafter be amended. Contractor shall maintain a file of reports of all such inspections conducted during the term of this Agreement and during the period of three years prior to the commencement of such term, and such file shall be available for inspection by County pursuant to Paragraph 12 (RECORDS AND AUDITS). For each ambulance used by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement, a permit shall be obtained from the California Highway Patrol and kept in force by Contractor for the operation of such vehicles.
- C. <u>Expenses</u>: All expenses required for operation of the transportation services provided hereunder shall be borne by Contractor.

D. Equipment and Quarters:

- (1) Contractor shall maintain all ambulances, amubiettes, and other equipment in a sanitary condition at all times. All Contractor's equipment shall be subject to inspection and approval by Director. All ambulances and ambulettes shall be equipped with adequate equipment and supplies, including, but not limited to, any equipment designated by Director.
- (2) Contractor shall assure that all crew quarters used by Contractor's personnel pursuant to this Agreement shall be maintained in a sanitary condition at all times.
- E. <u>Employee Performance</u>: Contractor shall ensure that each of its ambulance and ambulette personnel is neat and clean in appearance and knowledgeable in the restraint of mentally ill patients/clients. Contractor shall not permit any persons, including, but not limited to, dispatchers, to perform any services hereunder while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic or other substance that may in any way impair their physical or mental performance. All Contractor's personnel shall be subject to inspection and approval by Director.
- F. Response Time Requirements: Contractor shall arrive for patient/client pickup within the following response times unless ATC approves a longer response time in specific cases due to unusual circumstances:

ATC request in response to clinical call

Within ninety minutes of ATC request ATC request in response to PMRT call

within forty-five minutes of ATC request

Response time shall be measured from the time of telephone request by ATC to the time of Contractor's arrival for patient/client pickup.

G. <u>Telephone Numbers</u>: Contractor shall have sufficient telephone numbers to provide County 24-hour access to Contractor's dispatch function without a delay of more than five minutes.

8. BILLINGS:

- A. Billings shall be submitted by Contractor to Director, monthly in arrears, within fifteen calendar days after the close of each month, in the form and content specified by County. Each billing shall contain certain information regarding each call requested by ATC, which shall include, but not be limited to: each patient's/client's name, date and time the service was rendered, actual miles traveled from pickup point to destination point, additional attendant fees (if any), additional patient/client fees (if any), dry run fees (if any), night call fees (if any), and waiting time fees (if any). A DMH Patient Transportation Order Form shall be completed in its entirety by Contractor for each call requested by ATC and shall be submitted with Contractor's billing before any payment shall be made for such call. The reimbursement rates for transportation services requested by ATC shall be as set forth in this Agreement, provided that Contractor shall not bill County more than Contractor's charges to the general public in the event that such charges are less than the reimbursement rates set forth hereunder. In no event shall County have any obligation to pay Contractor for any billings submitted more than sixty days after the end of the month in which services were rendered.
- B. Each call requested by ATC shall be separately billed by Contractor. All bills rendered by Contractor shall be rendered in its name and shall contain such further information as may be requested by County.
- C. Contractor shall submit all claims directly to DMH's Accounting Office. County shall reimburse Contractor pursuant to this Paragraph 8 and Paragraph 9 (PAYMENT).

9. PAYMENT:

- A. County shall reimburse Contractor monthly in arrears within thirty days of receipt of complete and correct billings for all services provided in response to all telephone calls received from ATC in accordance with Exhibits B (RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION) and C (RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULETTE TRANSPORTATION).
- B. Suspension of Payments: Payments to Contractor under this Agreement shall be suspended if Director, for good cause, determines that Contractor is in default under any of the provisions of this Agreement. Except in cases of alleged fraud or similar intentional wrongdoing, at least 30 calendar days notice of such suspension shall be provided to Contractor, including a statement of the reason(s) for

such suspension. Thereafter, Contractor may, within 15 calendar days, request reconsideration of the Director's decision. Payments shall not be withheld pending the results of the reconsideration process.

C. Budget Reductions: In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in County contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Agreement to implement such Board reductions for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Agreement (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Agreement shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such action. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Agreement.

10. COUNTY AUDIT SETTLEMENTS:

A. If, at any time during the term of this Agreement or at any time after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, authorized representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the services provided hereunder and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such services is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then, the difference shall be: (1) repaid by Contractor to County by cash payment upon demand and/or (2) at the sole discretion of Director, deducted from any amounts due by County to Contractor, whether under this Agreement or otherwise. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for services provided hereunder is more than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to Contractor by County by cash payment.

B. Failure of Contractor to comply with terms of this Paragraph 10 shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may terminate or suspend this Agreement.

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11. PRIOR AGREEMENT(S) SUPERSEDED:

A. Reference is made to the certain document(s) entitled:

	COUNTY	
	AGREEMENT	DATE OF
TITLE	NUMBER	EXECUTION
N/A	N/A	N/A

The parties agree that the provisions of such prior Agreement(s), and all Amendments thereto, shall be entirely superseded as of N/A, by the provisions of this Agreement.

B. The parties further agree that all payments made by County to Contractor under any such prior Agreement(s) for services rendered thereunder on and after N/A, shall be applied to and considered as payments made under this Agreement and shall be applied against all applicable Federal, State, and/or County funds provided hereunder.

12. RECORDS AND AUDITS:

A. Records:

provided by all the various professional, para-professional, intern, student, volunteer and other personnel in sufficient detail to permit an evaluation and audit of services provided under this Agreement. Such records shall document all services provided under this Agreement, as well as Contractor's compliance with all requirements hereunder, and shall include, but are not limited to, all response times, number of patients/clients transported, number of trips made, mileage, special accommodations, and length (time) of transportation. All such records shall be made available during County's normal business hours to authorized representatives of County, State, and Federal governments during the term of this Agreement and during the period of record retention for the purpose of inspection, program review, and/or fiscal audit. In addition to requirements set forth in this Paragraph 12 Contractor shall comply with any additional records requirements which may be included in the Exhibits.

All such records shall be maintained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County for a minimum period of seven years following termination of services, or until County, State and/or Federal audit findings applicable to such services are fully resolved, whichever is later. During such retention period, all such records shall be made available during normal business hours to authorized representatives of County, State, and/or Federal governments for purposes of inspection and audit. In the event any records are located outside Los Angeles County, Contractor shall pay County for all travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for any inspection or audit at such other location.

(2) <u>Financial Records</u>: Contractor shall prepare and maintain, on a current basis, accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Minimum standards for accounting principles are set forth in County's Auditor-Controller's Contract Accounting and Administration Handbook which shall be furnished to Contractor by County upon request.

The above financial records shall include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Books or original entry and general ledger.
- (b) A listing of all County remittances received.
- (c) Employment records.

All such records shall be maintained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County for a minimum period of seven years following expiration or termination of this Agreement, or until County, State and/or Federal audit findings are fully resolved, whichever is later. During such retention period, all such records shall be made available during normal business hours to authorized representatives of County, State, and/or Federal governments for purposes of inspection and audit. In the event any records are located outside Los Angeles County, Contractor shall pay County for all travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for any inspection or audit at such other location.

(3) <u>Preservation of Records</u>: If, following termination of this Agreement, Contractor's transportation services operations are discontinued of if majority ownership of Contractor changes, then within forty-eight hours thereafter, Director shall be notified thereof by Contractor in writing of all arrangements made by Contractor for preservation of all the patient/client, financial, and other records referred to in this Paragraph 12.

B. Audits:

- (1) <u>General</u>: Contractor shall provide County and its authorized representatives access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, time cards, or any other records relating to this Agreement.
- (2) County shall perform periodic fiscal and/or program review(s) or Contractor's records that relate to this Agreement, and if the results of any fiscal and/or program review require a corrective plan of action, Contractor shall submit such a plan to DMH no later than thirty days after receiving the findings of the fiscal and/or program review.
- Agreement is conducted of Contractor by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by Contractor or otherwise, then Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report(s) with DMH's Contracts Development and Administration Division, within thirty days of receipt thereof unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal and State law under this Agreement. Failure of Contractor to comply with these provisions shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may terminate or suspend this Agreement.
- 13. <u>FEDERAL ACCESS TO RECORDS</u>: If, and to the extent that, Section 1861(v)(1)(I) of Social Security Act (42 United States Code, Section 1395x(v)(1)(I)) is applicable, Contractor agrees that for a period of four years following the furnishing of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States, or to any of their duly authorized representatives, the contract, books, document and records of Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the cost of services hereunder. Furthermore, if Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through any subcontract with a value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve-month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under Federal law), Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall provide for such access to the subcontract, books, documents and records of the subcontractor.
- 14. <u>REPORTS</u>: Contractor shall make reports as required by Director regarding Contractor's activities and operations as they relate to Contractor's performance of this Agreement. In no event may County require such reports unless it has provided contractor with at least thirty days prior written notification. County shall provide Contractor with a written explanation of the procedures for reporting the required information.

- 15. <u>DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION</u>: During and after the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall not publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials, using the name of County or of any County employee or agent or of any County patient/client without prior written consent of Director. Director shall have the sole and absolute right to grant or deny such consent.
- 16. <u>CONFIDENTIALITY</u>: Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, including, but not limited to, billings, County records, and patient/client records and information, in accordance with WIC Sections 5328 through 5330, inclusive, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 205.50, and all other applicable County, State and Federal laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and directives, relating to confidentiality. Contractor shall require all its officers, employees, and agents providing services hereunder to acknowledge, in writing, understanding of, and agreement to fully comply with, all such confidentiality provisions. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damage, liability, and expense arising from any disclosure of such records and information by Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents.

17. NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES:

- A. Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age or physical or mental handicap, in accordance with requirements of Federal and State law. For the purpose of this Paragraph 17, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to, the following: denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of a facility; providing any service or benefit to any person which is different, or is provided in a different manner or at a different time, from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment quota, eligibility, membership, or any other requirement or condition which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that intended beneficiaries of this Agreement are provided services without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap.
- B. Contractor shall further establish and maintain written complaint procedures under which any person applying for or receiving any services hereunder may seek resolution from Contractor of a complaint with respect to any alleged discrimination in the provision of services by Contractor's personnel. Such procedures shall also include a provision whereby any such person, who is dissatisfied with Contractor's resolution of the matter, shall be referred by Contractor to Director for the purpose of presenting his complaint of the alleged discrimination. Such complaint procedures shall also indicate that if such person is not satisfied with County's resolution or decision with respect to the complaint of alleged discrimination, such person may appeal the matter to the State.

18. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:

- A. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by it without regard to, or because of, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, condition of physical disability (including HIV and AIDS) or mental disability, medical condition (cancer), denial of family care leave, or political affiliation, and in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.
- B. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, condition of physical disability (including HIV and AIDS) or mental disability, medical condition (cancer), denial of family care leave, or political affiliation. Such action shall include, but is not limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Contractor shall not discriminate against or harass, nor shall it permit harassment of, its employees during employment based upon race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, condition of physical disability (including HIV and AIDS) or mental disability, medical condition (cancer), denial of family care leave, or political affiliation in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Contractor shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of its employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment, and will comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code section 12990 et seg.) and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 7285.0 et seq.).
- C. Contractor shall deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, condition of physical disability (including HIV and AIDS) or mental disability, medical condition (cancer), denial of family care leave, or political affiliation. Further, Contractor shall give written notice of its obligations under this Paragraph 18 to labor organizations with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement.
- D. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph 18 when so requested by Director.
- E. If County finds that any of the above provisions has been violated, the same shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that

Contractor has violated State or Federal anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement.

F. In the event that Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph 18, County shall be entitled, at its option, to the sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500) pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Agreement.

19. <u>INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE</u>:

- A. <u>Indemnification</u>: Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County, and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.
- B. <u>General Insurance Requirements</u>: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.
- 1) <u>Evidence of Insurance</u>: Certificate(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be delivered to Department of Mental Health, 550 South Vermont Avenue, Contracts Development and Administration Division, 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90020, prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:
 - (a) Specifically identify this Agreement.
 - (b) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this

Agreement.

- (c) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.
- (d) Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Agreement.
- (e) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expenses or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

- 2) <u>Insurer Financial Ratings</u>: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to the County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.
- 3) <u>Failure to Maintain Coverage</u>: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of the contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.
- 4) <u>Notification of Incidents, Claims or Suits</u>: Contractor shall report to County:
- a) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within 24 hours of occurrence.
- b) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.
- c) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-employee Injury Report" to the County contract manager.
- d) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.
- 5) Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.
- 6) <u>Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors</u>: Contractor shall ensure any and all sub-contractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:
- a) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of sub-contractor, or
- b) Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that sub-contractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of sub-contractor insurance coverage at any time.
 - C. Insurance Coverage Requirements:

1) <u>General Liability</u>: Insurance (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:

Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000)

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:

One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000)

Personal and Advertising Injury:

One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000)

Each Occurrence:

One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000)

2) <u>Automobile Liability</u>: Insurance (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

3) Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability: Insurance providing workers compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible. If Contractor's employees will be engaged in maritime employment, coverage shall provide workers compensation benefits as required by the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Jones Act or any other federal law for which Contractor is responsible. In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident:
Disease – policy limit:

One Million Dollars

(\$1,000,000)

One Million Dollars

(\$1,000,000)

Disease - each employee:

One Million Dollars

(\$1,000,000)

20. <u>FAIR LABOR STANDARDS</u>: Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from any and all liability, including but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for services performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

21. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A. No County employee whose position in County enables such employee to influence the award of administration of this Agreement or any competing agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor or have any direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement. No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such services, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval, or ongoing evaluation of such services.

B. Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter

becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to County. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons implicated and complete description of all relevant circumstances.

22. INDEPENDENT STATUS OF CONTRACTOR:

- A. This Agreement is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Agreement all compensation and benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of Contractor.
- C. Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing services pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole employees of Contractor and not employees of County. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all workers' compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any services performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.
- 23. <u>UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION</u>: Contractor shall require all of its employees to acknowledge, in writing, understanding of and agreement to comply with the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (commencing with Section 6150) of California Business and Professions Code (i.e., State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to insure that there is no violation of such provisions by its employees. Contractor shall utilize the attorney referral services of all those bar associations within the County of Los Angeles that have such a service.

24. <u>DELEGATION AND ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR:</u>

- A. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to this Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Agreement shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims which Contractor may have against County.
- B. Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in

the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Agreement, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Agreement.

- C. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Agreement which may result in the termination of this Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.
- 25. <u>SUBCONTRACTING</u>: No performance of this Agreement, or any portion thereof, shall be subcontracted by Contractor, and any attempt by Contractor to subcontract any performance, obligation, or responsibility under this Agreement shall be null and void and shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may terminate or suspend this Agreement.
- 26. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND VENUE: This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles, California.

27. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

- A. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, including, but not limited to, Title XIX of the Social Security Act, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs or expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, arising from or related to any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents, of any such Federal, State or local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, manuals, guidelines, ADA standards, or directives.
- C. Contractor shall maintain in effect an active compliance program in accordance with the recommendations set forth by the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General.
- D. <u>Duty to Notify:</u> Contractor agrees to notify County of any and all legal complaints, citations, enforcement proceedings, administrative proceedings, judgments or litigation, known to

Contractor, whether civil or criminal initiated against Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents which are likely to have a material effect on the organization's stewardship, financial position and/or ability to perform and deliver services under this contract.

- 28. <u>LICENSES</u>, <u>PERMITS</u>, <u>REGISTRATIONS</u>, <u>ACCREDITATIONS</u>, <u>AND CERTIFICATES</u>: Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations and certificates required by all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, guidelines and directives, which are applicable to Contractor's facility(ies), vehicle(s), and services under this Agreement. Contractor shall further ensure that all of its officers, employees, and agents, who perform any services hereunder, shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates which are applicable to their performance hereunder.
- 29. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>: If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement and application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.
- 30. <u>ALTERATION OF TERMS</u>: No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of the body of this Agreement, or Statement of Work or Fee Schedule hereto, whether by written or oral understanding of the parties, their officers, employees or agents, shall be valid and effective unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties in the same manner as this Agreement.

The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Administrative Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Agreement during the term of this Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Administrative Officer. To implement such orders, an Amendment to the Agreement shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the Director of Mental Health.

31. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: The body of this Agreement; and Exhibits A (PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION), B (RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION), and C (RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULETTE TRANSPORTATION), D (ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS, E (SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW), F (CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties which supersedes all previous agreements, written or oral, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, or schedule, or the contents or description of any service or other work, or otherwise, between the body of this Agreement and the other referenced documents, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the body of this Agreement and then to such other documents according to the following priority:

- Exhibit A (PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION).
- 2. Exhibit B (RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION).
- 3. Exhibit C (RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULETTE TRANSPORTATION).
- 4. Exhibit D (ATTESTATION REGARDING GEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS)
- 5. Exhibit E (SAFELY SURENDERED BABY LAW)
- 6. Exhibit F (CHARITABLE CONTRUBUTIONS CERTIFICATION)
- 32. <u>WAIVER</u>: No waiver by County of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of such provision. Failure of County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Paragraph 32 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.
- 33. <u>CONTRACTOR'S OFFICES</u>: Contractor shall notify in writing DMH's Contracts Development and Administration Division, and any other County office(s) as identified in Paragraph 59 (NOTICES), of any change in its business address, as shown on page 1 of this Agreement, at least thirty days prior to the effective date thereof.
- 34. <u>AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY</u>: Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.
- 35. CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF OR FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEES ON A REEMPLOYMENT LIST: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified former County employees who are on a reemployment list during the term of this Agreement.
- 36. CONSIDERATION FOR HIRING GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE (GAIN) OR GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW) PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunities for Work (GROW) Program who meet Contractor's minimum qualification for the open position. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants, by job category, to the Contractor. In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given priority.

37. <u>THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES</u>: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person or entity shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

38. <u>TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY</u>:

- A. County may terminate this Agreement immediately in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
- (1) Insolvency of Contractor. Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.
- (2) The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code.
 - (3) The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for Contractor.
- (4) The execution by Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- B. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 38 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

39. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:

- A. County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:
- (1) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or
- (2) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of five days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from County specifying such failure.
- B. In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided in Subparagraph A, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may deem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar services.
- C. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph 39 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.
- 40. <u>TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION</u>: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to

any County officer, employee or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment or extension of the Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

- 41. <u>EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION</u>: Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal statutes and regulations regarding employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain all such documentation for the period prescribed by law. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers and employees from and against any employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.
- 42. <u>PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND LITERATURE</u>: In public announcements and literature distributed by Contractor for the purpose of apprising patients/clients and the general public of the nature of its treatment services, Contractor shall clearly indicate that the services which it provides under this Agreement are funded by the County of Los Angeles.
- 43. <u>RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING</u>: If any Federal funds are to be used to pay for any of Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall fully comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code Section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds under this Agreement also fully complies with all such certification and disclosure requirements.
- 44. <u>CERTIFICATION OF DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE</u>: Contractor certifies and agrees that Contractor and its employees shall comply with DMH's policy of maintaining a drug-free work place. Contractor and its employees shall not manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, or use any controlled substances as defined in 21 United States Code Section 812, including, but not limited to, marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and amphetamines, at any of Contractor's facilities or work sites or County's facilities or work sites. If Contractor or any of its employees is convicted of or pleads noto contendere to any criminal drug statute

violation occurring at any such facility or work site, then Contractor, within five days thereafter, shall notify Director in writing.

- 45. <u>COUNTY LOBBYISTS</u>: Contractor and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of Contractor or any County lobbyist or County lobbying firm retained by Contractor to fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.
- 46. <u>MAINTENANCE STANDARDS FOR SERVICE DELIVERY SITES</u>: Contractor shall assure that all locations where services are provided under this Agreement are operated at all times in accordance with all County community standards with regard to property maintenance and repair, graffiti abatement, refuse removal, fire safety, landscaping, and in full compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to the property. County's periodic monitoring visits to Contractor's facility(ies) shall include a review of compliance with this Paragraph 46.

47. CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

A. Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance

Program: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholdings Orders or CSSD Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

B. Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program: Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Subparagraph A (Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program) shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 39 (TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT) and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

- 48. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT: Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.
- 49. <u>USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER PRODUCTS</u>: Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on the Project.

50. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

- A. A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.
- B. The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other Agreements which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County Agreements for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Agreements the Contractor may have with the County.
- C. The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of an Agreement with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
- D. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

- F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.
- G. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interest of the County.
- H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.
- I. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
 - J. These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County Contractors.
- PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within 30 calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more staff members barring it or the staff members from participation in a Federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

There are a variety of different reasons why an individual or entity may be excluded from participating in a Federally funded health care program. Sometimes, the exclusion is mandatory and in other cases the Office of Inspector General (OIG) has the discretion not to exclude.

The mandatory bases for exclusion include: (1) felony convictions for program related crimes, including fraud or false claims, or for offenses related to the dispensing or use of controlled substances, or (2) convictions related to patient abuse.

Permissive exclusions may be based on: (1) conviction of a misdemeanor related to fraud or financial misconduct involving a government program; (2) obstructing an investigation; (3) failing to provide access to documents or premises as required by federal health care program officials; (4) conviction of a misdemeanor related to controlled substances; (5) failing to disclose information about the entity itself, its subcontractors or its significant business transactions; (6) loss of a state license to practice a health care profession; (7) default on a student loan given in connection with education in a health profession; (8) charging excessive amounts to a Federally funded health care program or furnishing services of poor quality or which are substantially in excess of the needs of the patients; (9) paying a kickback or submitting a false or fraudulent claim. Persons controlling or managing excluded entities who knew of the conduct leading to the exclusion can themselves be excluded, and entities which are owned and controlled by excluded individuals can also be excluded.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program. Contractor shall provide the certification set forth in Exhibit D as part of its obligation under this Paragraph.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

52. CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION AS A "BUSINESS ASSOCIATE" UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996: Under this Agreement, Contractor ("Business Associate") provides services ("Services") to County ("Covered Entity") and Business Associate receives, has access to, or creates Protected Health Information in order to provide those Services. Covered Entity is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information ("the Privacy Regulations") and the Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards ("the Security Regulations") at 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164 ("together, the "Privacy and Security Regulations").

The Privacy and Security Regulations require Covered Entity to enter into a contract with Business Associate in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of Protected Health Information, and those Regulations prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Business Associate if such a contract is not in place.

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "<u>Disclose</u>" or "<u>Disclosure</u>" means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its employees.
- "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Media means (1) Electronic storage media including memory devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; or (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the internet (wide-open), extranet (using internet technology to link a business with information accessible only to collaborating parties), leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media, because the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form before the transmission.
- 1.3 "<u>Electronic Protected Health Information</u>" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.
- 1.4 "Individual" means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).
- 1.5 "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. Protected Health Information includes information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium, that (i) relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an Individual; the provision of health care to an Individual, or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an Individual; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the Individual); and (iii) is received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, or is created by Business Associate, or is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Health Information.
- 1.6 "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information and that is enforceable in a court of law. Required by law includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants; subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or any administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care providers participating in the program; and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing benefits.

- 1.7 "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information in, or interference with system operations of, an Information System which contains Electronic Protected Health Information. However, Security Incident does not include attempts to access an Information System when those attempts are not reasonably considered by Business Associate to constitute an actual threat to the Information System.
- 1.8 "Services" has the same meaning as in the body of this Agreement.
- 1.9 "<u>Use</u>" or "<u>Uses</u>" means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations.
- 1.10 Terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Paragraph __ shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Regulations.

OBLIGATIONS OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

- 2.1 Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information. Business Associate:
- (a) shall Use and Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform the Services, and as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 of this Agreement;
 - (b) shall Disclose Protected Health Information to Covered Entity upon request;
- (c) may, as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities:
 - (i) Use Protected Health Information; and
- (ii) Disclose Protected Health Information if the Disclosure is Required by Law.

 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for any other purpose.
- 2.2 Adequate Safeguards for Protected Health Information. Business Associate:
- (a) shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information in any manner other than as permitted by this Paragraph. Business Associate agrees to limit the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information to the minimum necessary in accordance with the Privacy Regulation's minimum necessary standard.
- (b) effective as of April 20, 2005, specifically as to Electronic Health Information, shall implement and maintain administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Electronic Protected Health Information.
- Reporting Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure and Security Incidents. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity each Use or Disclosure that is made by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors but is not specifically permitted by this Agreement, and effective as of April 20, 2005, shall report to Covered Entity each Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware. The initial report shall be made by telephone call to the Department of Mental Health's Privacy Officer, telephone number 1(213) 738-4864 within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident,

followed by a full written report no later than ten (10) business days from the date the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident to the Chief Privacy Officer at:

Chief Privacy Officer
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple ST.
Suite 525
Los Angeles, CA 90012

- 2.4 <u>Mitigation of Harmful Effect</u>. Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Paragraph 52.
- Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information available to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations. Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.
- Access to Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and copy that Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall provide such access for inspection of that Protected Health Information within two (2) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity. Business Associate shall provide copies of that Protected Health Information within five (5) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity.
- Amendment of Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make any amendments to Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity. Business Associate shall make such amendment within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.
- Accounting of Disclosures. Business Associate agrees to maintain documentation of the information required to provide an accounting of Disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528, and to make this information available to Covered Entity upon Covered Entity's request, in order to allow Covered Entity to respond to an Individual's request for accounting of disclosures. However, Business Associate is not required to provide an accounting of Disclosures that are necessary to perform its Services if such Disclosures are for either payment or health care operations purposes, or both. Additionally, such accounting is limited to disclosures that were made

in the six (6) years prior to the request (not including disclosures that were made prior to the compliance date of the Privacy Rule, April 14, 2003) and shall be provided for as long as Business Associate maintains the Protected Health Information.

Any accounting provided by Business Associate under this Section 2.8 shall include: (a) the date of the Disclosure; (b) the name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information; (c) a brief description of the Protected Health Information disclosed; and (d) a brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure. For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under this Section 2.8, Business Associate shall document the information specified in (a) through (d), above, and shall securely maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this Section 2.8 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

OBLIGATION OF COVERED ENTITY

3.1 <u>Obligation of Covered Entity</u>. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the use of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own uses and disclosures accordingly.

TERM AND TERMINATION

- 4.1 <u>Term.</u> The term of this Paragraph <u>52</u> shall be the same as the term of this Agreement. Business Associate's obligations under Sections 2.1 (as modified by Section 4.2), 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- 4.2 <u>Termination for Cause</u>. In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in this Agreement, upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:
- (a) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity;
- (b) Immediately terminate this Agreement if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Paragraph and cure is not possible; or
- (c) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services.
- 4.3 <u>Disposition of Protected Health Information Upon Termination or Expiration.</u>
- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Agreement, Business Associate shall return or destroy all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to Protected Health Information that is in the possession of subcontractors or

agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

(b) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the Protected Health Information is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make it infeasible. If return or destruction is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such Protected Health Information and limit further Uses and Disclosures of such Protected Health Information to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such Protected Health Information.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 5.1 <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Nothing in this Paragraph <u>52</u> shall confer upon any person other than the parties and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.
- 5.2 <u>Use of Subcontractors and Agents</u>. Business Associate shall require each of its agents and subcontractors that receive Protected Health Information from Business Associate, or create Protected Health Information for Business Associate, on behalf of Covered Entity, to execute a written agreement obligating the agent or subcontractor to comply with all the terms of this Paragraph <u>52</u>.
- 5.3 <u>Relationship to Services Agreement Provisions</u>. In the event that a provision of this Paragraph <u>52</u> is contrary to another provision of this Agreement, the provision of this Paragraph <u>52</u> shall control. Otherwise, this Paragraph <u>52</u> shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of this Agreement.
- 5.4 <u>Regulatory References</u>. A reference in this Paragraph <u>52</u> to a section in the Privacy or Security Regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 5.5 <u>Interpretation</u>. Any ambiguity in this Paragraph <u>52</u> shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Regulations.
- 5.6 <u>Amendment</u>. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Paragraph from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Regulations.

53. COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S LIVING WAGE PROGRAM: (LANGUAGE APPLIES ONLY TO PROP A LIVING WAGE CONTRACTS)

A. <u>Living Wage Program</u>: This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Living Wage Program as codified in Sections 2.201.010 through 2.201.100 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as *Exhibit K* and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract.

B. Payment of Living Wage Rates:

(1) Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not an "Employer" as defined under the Program (Section 2.201.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Living Wage Program (Section

2.201.090 of the County Code), the Contractor shall pay its Employees no less than the applicable hourly living wage rate, as set forth immediately below, for the Employees' services provided to the County under the Contract:

- i. Not less than \$9.46 per hour if, in addition to the per-hour wage, the Contractor contributes less than \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits for its Employees and any dependents; or
- ii. Not less than \$8.32 per hour if, in addition to the per-hour wage, the Contractor contributes at least \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits for its Employees and any dependents. The Contractor will be deemed to have contributed \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits if the benefits are provided through the County Department of Health Services Community Health Plan. If, at any time during the Contract, the Contractor contributes less than \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits, the Contractor shall be required to pay its Employees the higher hourly living wage rate.
- (2) For purposes of this Sub-paragraph, "Contractor" includes any subcontractor engaged by the Contractor to perform services for the County under the Contract. If the Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the subcontractor shall be subject to the provisions of this Sub-paragraph. The provisions of this Sub-paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract Contract and a copy of the Living Wage Program shall be attached to the Contract. "Employee" means any individual who is an employee of the Contractor under the laws of California, and who is providing full-time services to the Contractor, some or all of which are provided to the County under the Contract. "Full-time" means a minimum of 40 hours worked per week, or a lesser number of hours, if the lesser number is a recognized industry standard and is approved as such by the County; however, fewer than 35 hours worked per week will not, in any event, be considered full-time.
- (3) If the Contractor is required to pay a living wage when the Contract commences, the Contractor shall continue to pay a living wage for the entire term of the Contract, including any option period.
- (4) If the Contractor is not required to pay a living wage when the Contract commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exemption status" from the living wage requirement. The Contractor shall immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Living Wage Program's definition of "Employer" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Living Wage Program. In either event, the Contractor shall immediately be required to commence paying the living wage and shall be obligated to pay the living wage for the remaining term of the Contract, including any option period. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Living Wage Program's definition of "Employer" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the

Living Wage Program. Unless the Contractor satisfies this requirement within the time frame permitted by the County, the Contractor shall immediately be required to pay the living wage for the remaining term of the Contract, including any option period.

- C. <u>Contractor's Submittal of Certified Monitoring Reports</u>: The Contractor shall submit to the County certified monitoring reports at a frequency instructed by the County. The certified monitoring reports shall list all of the Contractor's Employees during the reporting period. The certified monitoring reports shall also verify the number of hours worked, the hourly wage rate paid, and the amount paid by the Contractor for health benefits, if any, for each of its Employees. The certified monitoring reports shall also state the name and identification number of the Contractor's current health care benefits plan, and the Contractor's portion of the premiums paid as well as the portion paid by each Employee. All certified monitoring reports shall be submitted on forms provided by the County (*Exhibit L and Exhibit M*), or other form approved by the County which contains the above information. The County reserves the right to request any additional information it may deem necessary. If the County requests additional information, the Contractor shall promptly provide such information. The Contractor, through one of its officers, shall certify under penalty of perjury that the information contained in each certified monitoring report is true and accurate.
- D. <u>Contractor's Ongoing Obligation to Report Labor Law/Payroll Violations and Claims</u>: During the term of the Contract, if the Contractor becomes aware of any labor law/payroll violation or any complaint, investigation or proceeding ("claim") concerning any alleged labor law/payroll violation (including but not limited to any violation or claim pertaining to wages, hours and working conditions such as minimum wage, prevailing wage, living wage, the Fair Labor Standards Act, employment of minors, or unlawful employment discrimination), the Contractor shall immediately inform the County of any pertinent facts known by the Contractor regarding same. This disclosure obligation is not limited to any labor law/payroll violation or claim arising out of the Contractor's contract with the County, but instead applies to any labor law/payroll violation or claim arising out of any of the Contractor's operations in California.
- E. <u>County Auditing of Contractor Records</u>: Upon a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours' written notice, the County may audit, at the Contractor's place of business, any of the Contractor's records pertaining to the Contract, including all documents and information relating to the certified monitoring reports. The Contractor is required to maintain all such records in California until the expiration of four years from the date of final payment under the Contract. Authorized agents of the County shall have access to all such records during normal business hours for the entire period that records are to be maintained.
- F. <u>Notifications to Employees</u>: The Contractor shall place County-provided living wage posters at each of the Contractor's places of business and locations where Contractor's Employees are working. The Contractor shall also distribute County-provided notices to each of its Employees at

least once per year. The Contractor shall translate into Spanish and any other language spoken by a significant number of Employees the posters and handouts.

- G. <u>Enforcement and Remedies</u>: If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of this Sub-paragraph, the County shall have the rights and remedies described in this Sub-paragraph in addition to any rights and remedies provided by law or equity.
- (1) Remedies For Submission of Late or Incomplete Certified Monitoring Reports: If the Contractor submits a certified monitoring report to the County after the date it is due or if the report submitted does not contain all of the required information or is inaccurate or is not properly certified, any such deficiency shall constitute a breach of the Contract. In the event of any such breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, exercise any or all of the following rights/remedies:
- (a) <u>Withholding of Payment</u>: If the Contractor fails to submit accurate, complete, timely and properly certified monitoring reports, the County may withhold from payment to the Contractor up to the full amount of any invoice that would otherwise be due, until Contractor has satisfied the concerns of the County, which may include required submittal of revised certified monitoring reports or additional supporting documentation.
- (b) <u>Liquidated Damages</u>: It is mutually understood and agreed that the Contractor's failure to submit an accurate, complete, timely and properly certified monitoring report will result in damages being sustained by the County. It is also understood and agreed that the nature and amount of the damages will be extremely difficult and impractical to fix; that the liquidated damages set forth herein are the nearest and most exact measure of damages for such breach that can be fixed at this time; and that the liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty or forfeiture for the Contractor's breach. Therefore, in the event that a certified monitoring report is deficient, including but not limited to being late, inaccurate, incomplete or uncertified, it is agreed that the County may, in its sole discretion, assess against the Contractor liquidated damages in the amount of \$100 per monitoring report for each day until the County has been provided with a properly prepared, complete and certified monitoring report. The County may deduct any assessed liquidated damages from any payments otherwise due the Contractor.
- (c) <u>Termination</u>: The Contractor's continued failure to submit accurate, complete, timely and properly certified monitoring reports may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract.
- (2) Remedies for Payment of Less Than the Required Living Wage: If the Contractor fails to pay any Employee at least the applicable hourly living wage rate, such deficiency shall constitute a breach of the Contract. In the event of any such breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, exercise any or all of the following rights/remedies:
- (a) <u>Withholding Payment</u>: If the Contractor fails to pay one or more of its Employees at least the applicable hourly living wage rate, the County may withhold from any

payment otherwise due the Contractor the aggregate difference between the living wage amounts the Contractor was required to pay its Employees for a given pay period and the amount actually paid to the employees for that pay period. The County may withhold said amount until the Contractor has satisfied the County that any underpayment has been cured, which may include required submittal of revised certified monitoring reports or additional supporting documentation.

- (b) <u>Liquidated Damages</u>: It is mutually understood and agreed that the Contractor's failure to pay any of its Employees at least the applicable hourly living wage rate will result in damages being sustained by the County. It is also understood and agreed that the nature and amount of the damages will be extremely difficult and impractical to fix; that the liquidated damages set forth herein are the nearest and most exact measure of damages for such breach that can be fixed at this time; and that the liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty or forfeiture for the Contractor's breach. Therefore, it is agreed that the County may, in its sole discretion, assess against the Contractor liquidated damages of \$50 per Employee per day for each and every instance of an underpayment to an Employee. The County may deduct any assessed liquidated damages from any payments otherwise due the Contractor.
- (c) <u>Termination</u>: The Contractor's continued failure to pay any of its Employees the applicable hourly living wage rate may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract.
- (3) <u>Debarment</u>: In the event the Contractor breaches a requirement of this Sub-paragraph, the County may, in its sole discretion, bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach, not to exceed three years.
- H. <u>Use of Full-Time Employees</u>: The Contractor shall assign and use full-time Employees of the Contractor to provide services under the Contract unless the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the County that it is necessary to use non-full-time Employees based on staffing efficiency or County requirements for the work to be performed under the Contract. It is understood and agreed that the Contractor shall not, under any circumstance, use non-full-time Employees for services provided under the Contract unless and until the County has provided written authorization for the use of same. The Contractor submitted with its proposal a full-time Employee staffing plan. If the Contractor changes its full-time Employee staffing plan, the Contractor shall immediately provide a copy of the new staffing plan to the County.
- I. <u>Contractor Retaliation Prohibited</u>: The Contractor and/or its Employees shall not take any adverse action which would result in the loss of any benefit of employment, any contract benefit, or any statutory benefit for any Employee, person or entity who has reported a violation of the Living Wage Program to the County or to any other public or private agency, entity or person. A violation of the provisions of this Sub-paragraph may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract.

J. <u>Contractor Standards</u>: During the term of the Contract, the Contractor shall maintain business stability, integrity in employee relations and the financial ability to pay a living wage to its employees. If requested to do so by the County, the Contractor shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the County that the Contractor is complying with this requirement.

K. Employee Retention Rights:

performance; or

(Note: This Sub-paragraph applies only if the contract involves the provision of services that were previously provided by a Contractor under a predecessor Proposition A contract or a predecessor cafeteria services contract, which predecessor contract was terminated by the County prior to its expiration.)

- (1) Contractor shall offer employment to all retention employees who are qualified for such jobs. A "retention employee" is an individual:
- (a) Who is not an exempt employee under the minimum wage and maximum hour exemptions defined in the federal Fair Labor Standards Act; and
- (b) Who has been employed by a Contractor under a predecessor Proposition A contract or a predecessor cafeteria services contract with the County for at least six months prior to the date of this new Contract, which predecessor contract was terminated by the County prior to its expiration; and
- (c) Who is or will be terminated from his or her employment as a result of the County entering into this new contract.
 - (2) Contractor is not required to hire a retention employee who:
 - (a) Has been convicted of a crime related to the job or his or her
- (b) Fails to meet any other County requirement for employees of a Contractor.
- (3) Contractor shall not terminate a retention employee for the first 90 days of employment under the contract, except for cause. Thereafter, Contractor may retain a retention employee on the same terms and conditions as Contractor's other employees.
- L. <u>Neutrality in Labor Relations</u>: The Contractor shall not use any consideration received under the Contract to hinder, or to further, organization of, or collective bargaining activities by or on behalf of the Contractor's employees, except that this restriction shall not apply to any expenditure made in the course of good faith collective bargaining, or to any expenditure pursuant to obligations incurred under a bona fide collective bargaining Contract, or which would otherwise be permitted under the provisions of the National Labor Relations Act.
- 54. <u>CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS 945 C.F.R. PART 76</u>: The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making subawards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are

suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors or other principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director or other principal of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify County in writing, during the term of this Agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

55. <u>COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN</u>: The County or its agent will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

56. COMPLIANCE WITH JURY SERVICE PROGRAM:

A. <u>Jury Service Program</u>: This Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

B. Written Employee Jury Service Policy:

- (1) Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
- (2) For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has an Agreement with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County Agreements or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the

lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract Agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Agreement.

- Agreement commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.
- (4) Contractor's violation of this section of the Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County Agreements for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.
- 57. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby.

The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit E of this Agreement and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

58. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used.

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59. <u>LIMITATION OF COUNTY'S OBLIGATION DUE TO NON-APPROPRIATION OF</u> FUNDS:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, COUNTY shall not be obligated for CONTRACTOR's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Agreement during this or any of COUNTY's future fiscal years unless and until COUNTY's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Agreement in COUNTY's Budget for each such fiscal year. Should COUNTY, during this or any subsequent fiscal year impose budgetary restrictions which appropriate less than the amount provided for in this Agreement, COUNTY shall reduce services under this Agreement consistent with such imposed budgetary reductions. In the event funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. COUNTY shall notify CONTRACTOR of any such changes in allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

- 60. <u>CONTRACTOR'S CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COMPLIANCE</u>: The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the certification in <u>Exhibit F</u>, the County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the County and its taxpayers. A Contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination or debarment proceedings or both. (County Code Chapter 2.202)
- 61. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND OUTCOME MEASURES: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and County policies and procedures relating to performance standards and outcome measures. This is applicable whenever specific Federal or State funding, which has policies or procedures for performance standards and/or outcome measures has been included as part of the Contractor's contract and shall apply for all County policies, procedures, or departmental bulletins approved by the Director or his designee for performance standards and/or outcome measures. County will notify Contractor whenever County policies or procedures are to apply to this contract provision (e.g., AB 2034 grant) at least, where feasible, 30 calendar days prior to implementation.

These Federal, State or County performance standards and/or outcome measures will be used as part of the determination of the effectiveness of the services delivered by the Contractor.

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62. <u>NOTICES</u>: All notices or demands required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first class, registered or certified mail, postage pre-paid, addressed to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the persons named. Director shall have the authority to execute all notices or demands which are required or permitted by County under this Agreement. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

To Contractor:							
Attention:							
To County:	Department of Mental Health						
	Contracts Development & Administration Division						
	550 S. Vermont Avenue, 5 th Floor						
	Los Angeles, CA 90020						
Attention:	Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division						
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by County's Director of Mental Health or his designee, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

	By MARVIN J. SOUTHARD, D.S.W. Director of Mental Health
	Director of Mental Health
	CONTRACTOR
	Ву
	Name
	Title(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)
APPROVED AS TO FORM OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL	
APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:	
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH	
ByChief, Contracts Development and Administration Division	

CL: Transp Serv Agree 5/23/2007

EXHIBIT A

PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION

- Calls for patient/client transportation shall be rotated among the eligible contract companies servicing an area. More than one call can be made to ensure an acceptable response time but the order of the calls must be consistent with the rotation schedule.
- 2. During the initial call, ATC shall inform Contractor's transportation dispatcher exactly where the transportation personnel are to report and which staff person to contact upon arrival. County staff should specify where to park, if the transportation personnel should wait outside the designated location, which entrance to use, and if a County staff person will be there to meet them. It is the dispatcher's responsibility to communicate this information to the transportation personnel as well as to provide ATC with a realistic estimated time of arrival (ETA).
- Upon arrival, the transportation personnel should report per instructions. Unless
 otherwise instructed, the transportation personnel should not be carrying visible
 restraints when they report to the designated staff person.
- 4. County staff must be present with the patient/client when the transportation personnel arrive.
- 5. When clinical judgement at the requesting facility indicates a female attendant should accompany a female patient/client during transport, the facility will request ATC to provide a female attendant. Contractor shall endeavor to provide the female attendant upon request of ATC. If Contractor is unable to provide a female attendant, the requesting facility will provide the female attendant. The requesting facility is also responsible for the transport of the female attendant back to the facility.
- 6. Transportation personnel cannot be compelled to transport a patient/client without restraints if they fear for their own or the patient's/client's safety. If

County Staff do not agree to restrain the patient/client, ATC may call another contract company.

- 7. Transportation personnel are not required to transport more patients/clients than can reasonably be accommodated.
- 8. Transportation personnel shall:
 - A. Have at least one set of leather and cloth restraints in each ambulance and other restraints, as appropriate, in all other transportation vehicles;
 - B. Know how to apply the restraints; and
 - C. Apply restraints to the patient/client and secure the patient/ client to the gurney if previously agreed upon.

County staff will provide additional restraints if more than one patient/client is being transported. Any decision to not use full restraints must be made by mutual agreement between clinic staff and transportation personnel. The patient's/client's potential dangerousness and transportation personnel's ability to handle the patient/client must be considered.

- 9. County staff are responsible for the management of the patient/client and shall direct and assist the transportation personnel until such time that:
 - A. The patient/client is physically restrained on the gurney to the satisfaction of both County staff and the transportation personnel; and
 - B. The transportation personnel receive the transportation order and the clinical/legal documentation. After that point, transportation personnel are responsible for ensuring transportation that is safe for both the patient/client and themselves.
- 10. It is the responsibility of County staff to inform the patient/client what is happening to him/her and not delegate this duty to the transportation personnel.
- 11. County staff are responsible for communicating all relevant information to the transportation personnel, including:
 - A. The presenting problem;
 - B. Potential for unpredictable behavior and dangerousness;

- C. Current substance abuse, known contagious or infectious diseases, and other medical problems;
- D. If medication has been administered; and
- E. Possible intervention guidelines.
- 12. Transportation personnel must remain with the patient/client until the patient/client is accepted by the receiving facility. Under no circumstances is the patient/client to be left alone or taken out of restraints until the transfer is completed.
- 13. Transportation personnel are not required to leave their restraints with the receiving facility when delivering a patient/client.
- 14. After the patient/client has been accepted at the receiving facility, transportation personnel are not expected to wait at the receiving facility for the outcome of the evaluation except at State hospitals where patients/clients are not accepted before the evaluation.
- 15. In the event the receiving facility refuses to accept the patient/client for evaluation, transportation personnel shall call ATC at (800) 854-7771 and/or at any other telephone number(s) provided to Contractor in writing by Director.
- 16. The personal valuables of the patient/client need to be protected and accounted for by County staff, transportation personnel, and the receiving facility. After verifying the presence of these personal valuables, each of the above parties should sign a form, or copy of a form, which describes all this property. Transportation companies are not required to transport more than \$100 cash and forty pounds or two bags (whichever is less) of personal property.
- 17. Transportation personnel shall transport all patients/clients (including voluntary patients/clients) to the destination requested by ATC. They shall not make any intermediate stops en route unless the patient's/client's medical condition so requires. If for any reason the patient/client is released before the destination is reached, ATC must be notified.
- 18. Neither County staff nor transportation personnel should wear clothing which presents a threat or hazard to themselves or the patient/client. For example,

- chains or exaggerated hair styles may be hazardous to staff or may confuse or provoke a patient/client. Clothing should be appropriate for the work required.
- 19. The highest level of cooperation is called for in transporting patients/clients. Both County staff and transportation personnel shall provide patient/client services in a professional manner. Difficult situations sometimes require extraordinary efforts. Everyone is encouraged to work together as a team and to look for ways to help other personnel involved.
- 20. If problems are encountered by the transportation personnel, they should indicate such on the transportation order and through the established procedures of Contractor and County.
- 21. All trips in excess of 70 miles one-way shall require specific authorization by ATC based upon the request by PMRT and/or the mental health facility.

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EXHIBIT B

RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION

 General: County will pay Contractor at the following rates for transportation of mental health clients requested and authorized by the Access Telecommunication Center (ATC).

Note: Rates set forth in this Exhibit "B" begin to apply <u>after</u> Contractor's unit arrives at the site of pickup except with respect to "dry run".

2. Ambulance Transportation Rates (One-Way): For the period of this Agreement, County shall pay Contractor for the following ambulance transportation services at the following base rates on and after July 1, 2002, or as may be amended as provided in this Exhibit "B". Ambulances responding to ATC's request to transport mental health patients/clients from one facility to another facility (e.g. hospital, jail, etc.) will be paid the Base Rate of \$111.00 per call plus the mileage rate of \$3.75 per mile (one way). All calls made for "in-the-field pick-ups" (To include, home, board and cares, schools, streets) will be paid the rates listed below which include the Ambulance Base Rate of \$111.00 per call plus the mileage rate of \$3.75 per mile (one-way) for any trip.

<u>RATE</u>						
\$ 172.00						
150.00						
139.00						
111.00						
3.75						
Night Call (7:00 p.m7:00 a.m.) 11.00						
Waiting Time over 15 minutes (for each 15						
11.00						

3. Rates for Trips in Excess of 70 Miles (One-Way): All trips in excess of 70 miles one-way shall require specific authorization by ATC based upon the request by PMRT and/or the mental health facility.

- 4. <u>Additional Patient/Client Rate</u>: In the event that more than one patient/client is transported, County will pay Contractor at the rate of \$40.70 for each additional patient/client, regardless of mileage.
- Additional Attendant Rate: In the event that an additional attendant is required,
 County will pay Contractor at the rate of \$20.00 per trip, regardless or mileage,
 for the additional attendant.
- 6. Waiting Time Rate: County will pay Contractor at the rate of \$11.00 for each fifteen minute period, or fraction thereof, after the first fifteen minutes of waiting time have elapsed. Waiting time shall apply at the point of patient/client pickup as well as at the destination point, to the exclusion of the first fifteen minutes at both ends of the run. In all cases, waiting time shall require specific request and authorization by ATC.
- 7. Night Call Rate: County will pay Contractor at the rate of \$11.00 per trip for any patient/client pickup made between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- 8. Dry Run: The rate for a "dry run" by Contractor shall be a flat rate of \$111.00 (regardless of early arrival time) plus any additional charges for waiting time at the rate of \$11.00 for each fifteen minute period, or fraction thereof, after the first fifteen minutes of waiting time have elapsed. Waiting time shall apply at the point of patient/client pickup, to the exclusion of the first fifteen minutes, and in all cases, waiting time shall require specific request and authorization by ATC. Such rates shall be applicable when Contractor, acting upon ATC request, responds with its personnel and ambulance, and while en route to the point of patient/client pickup or while at such point, is advised by ATC that Contractor's service is not required. In addition, Contractor shall receive a dry run mileage fee, at the rate of \$3.50 per mile (one-way), for mileage traveled by Contractor's ambulance from the point of origin to the point of cancellation of the call, except that there shall be no dry run mileage fee chargeable or paid for the first ten miles traveled by Contractor's ambulance on such dry run.
- 9. <u>Total Charges Computation</u>: The above ambulance rates shall be paid to Contractor only for transportation services requested and authorized by ATC. The total charges shall be the sum of the Ambulance Base Rate, the appropriate mileage rate applied to the distance actually traveled one-way, the time rate applied to arrival time and authorized waiting time, and any special rate which

may apply as described above. Except for dry runs, all mileage rates shall be computed from the time the ambulance arrives at the pickup site until the ambulance is discharged.

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EXHIBIT C

RATES TO BE CHARGED COUNTY FOR AMBULETTE TRANSPORTATION

- 1. <u>General</u>: Ambulettes responding to ATC's request to transport mental health patients/clients shall have a <u>driver and an attendant</u>.
- 2. Rates for Trips of 70 Miles or Less (One-Way): Ambulettes responding to ATC request to transport mental health patients/clients will be paid the rates listed below which include the Ambulette Base Rate of \$80.00 per call plus the mileage rate of \$2.50 per mile (one way) for each mile in excess of 5 miles for any trip.

No.	of Miles	•	<u>Rate</u>	No. of Miles	<u>Rate</u>
5	(or less)	\$	80.00	38	162.50
6			82.50	39	165.00
7			85.00	40	167.50
8			87.50	41.	170.00
9			90.00	42	172.50
10			92.50	43	175.00
11			95.00	44	177.50
12			97.50	45	180.00
13			100.00	46	182.50
14			102.50	47	185.00
15			105.00	48	187.50
16			107.50	49	190.00
17			110.00	50	192.50
18			112.50	51	195.00
19			115.00	52	197.50
20			117.50	53	200.00
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24			127.50	57	210.00
25			130.00	58	212.50
26			132.50	59	215.00
27			135.00	60	217.50
28			137.50	61	220.00
29			140.00	62	222.50

No. of Miles	<u>Rate</u>	No. of Miles	<u>Rate</u>
30	142.50	63	225.00
31	145.00	64	227.50
32	147.50	65	230.00
33	150.00	66	232.50
34	152.50	67	235.00
35	155.00	68	237.50
36	157.50	69	240.00
37	160.00	70	242.50

- 3. Rates For Trips in Excess of 70 Miles (One-Way): County will pay Contractor the base mileage rate of \$242.50 plus \$25.00 for each 20 mile increment (one-way) in excess of 70 miles for any trip. All trips in excess of 70 miles one-way shall require specific authorization by ATC based upon the request by PMRT and/or the mental health facility.
- 4. <u>Additional Patient/Client Rate</u>: In the event that more than one patient/client is transported, County will pay Contractor at the rate of \$17.50 for each additional patient/client, regardless of mileage.
- 5. Waiting Time Rate: County will pay Contractor at the rate of \$11.00 for each fifteen minute period, or fraction thereof, after the first fifteen minutes of waiting time have elapsed. Waiting time shall apply at the point of patient/client pickup as well as at the destination point, to the exclusion of the first fifteen minutes at both ends of the run. In all cases, waiting time shall require specific request and authorization by ATC.
- 6. Dry Run: The rate for a "dry-run" by Contractor shall be \$70.00 plus any additional charges for waiting time at the rate of \$11.00 for each fifteen minute period, or fraction thereof, after the first fifteen minutes of waiting time have elapsed. Waiting time shall apply at the point of patient/client pickup, to the exclusion of the first fifteen minutes, and in all cases, waiting time shall require specific request and authorization by ATC. Such rates shall be applicable when Contractor, acting upon ATC request, responds with its personnel and ambulette, and while en route to the point of patient/client pickup or while at such point, is advised by ATC that Contractor's service is not required. In addition, Contractor shall receive a dry run mileage fee, at the rate of \$2.50 per mile (one way), for

mileage traveled by Contractor's ambulette from the point of origin to the point of cancellation of the call, except that there shall be no dry run mileage fee chargeable or paid for the first ten miles traveled by Contractor's ambulette on such dry run.

7. Total Charges Computation: The above ambulette rates shall be paid to Contractor only for transportation services requested and authorized by ATC. The total charges shall be the sum of the Ambulette Base Rate, the appropriate mileage rate applied to the distance actually traveled one-way, the time rate applied to arrival time and authorized waiting time, and any special rate that may apply as described above. Except for dry runs, all mileage rates shall be computed from the time the ambulette arrives at the pickup site until the ambulette is discharged.

CL:EXHIBIT C

ATTESTATION REGARDING FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

In accordance with your agreement with the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health under Paragraph (CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM):

I, the undersigned certify that I am not presently excluded from participation in federally funded health care programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of me which is likely to result in my exclusion from any federally funded health care program, nor am I otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I further certify as the official responsible for the administration of
, (hereafter "Contractor") that all of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-
contractors are not presently excluded from participation in any federally funded health care
programs, nor is there an investigation presently pending or recently concluded of any such
officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors which is likely to result in an exclusion from
any federally funded health care program, nor are any of its officers, employees, agents and/or
sub-contractors otherwise likely to be found by a federal or state agency to be ineligible to
provide goods or services under the federally funded health care programs.

I understand and certify that I will notify DMH within thirty (30) calendar days, in writing of:

- Any event that would require Contractor or any of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors exclusion or suspension under federally funded health care programs, or
- Any suspension or exclusionary action taken by an agency of the federal or state government against Contractor, or one or more of its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors, barring it or its officers, employees, agents and/or sub-contractors from providing goods or services for which federally funded healthcare program payment may be made.

Name of authorized official			
	Please print name		
Signature of authorized official		Date	

PC Transportation 07-08 Attestation Exhibit D (3-28-2007)

EXHIBIT E

SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW FACT SHEET

(IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH)

Moshame. No blame. No names.

Newborns can be safely given up at any Los Angeles County hospital emergency room or fire station



In Los Angeles County:
1-877-BABY SAFED
1-877-222-9723
www.babysafela.org



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This initiative is also supported by First 5 LA and INFO LINE of Los Angeles.

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents to give up their baby confidentially. As long as the baby has not been abused or neglected, parents may give up their newborn without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially and safely give up a baby within three days of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a Los Angeles County emergency room or fire station. As long as the child shows no signs of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, workers will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their newborns within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

In most cases, a parent will bring in the baby. The law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have legal custody.

Does the parent have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week so long as the parent gives the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does a parent have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital personnel will ask the parent to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the child. Although encouraged, filling out the questionnaire is not required.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment, if needed. Then the baby will be placed in a pre-adoptive home.

What happens to the parent?

Once the parent(s) has safely turned over the baby, they are free to go.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned by their parents and potentially being hurt or killed. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. The parents who committed these acts may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their infants. Abandoning a baby puts the child in extreme danger. It is also illegal. Too often, it results in the baby's death. Because of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, this tragedy doesn't ever have to happen in California again.

A baby's story

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2002, a healthy newborn baby was brought to St. Bernardine Medical Center in San Bernardino under the provisions of the California Safely Surrendered Baby Law. As the law states, the baby's mother did not have to identify herself. When the baby was brought to the emergency room, he was examined by a pediatrician, who determined that the baby was healthy and doing fine. He was placed with a loving family while the adoption process was started.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a newborn, let her know there are other options.

It is best that women seek help to receive proper medical care and counseling while they are pregnant. But at the same time, we want to assure parents who choose not to keep their baby that they will not go to jail if they deliver their babies to safe hands in any Los Angeles County hospital ER or fire station.

Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin peligro:

Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura en la sala de emergencia de cualquier hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles (**)



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¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro de California permite a los padres entregar a su recién nacido confidencialmente. Siempre que el bebé no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, padres pueden entregar a su recién nacido sin temor a ser arrestados o procesados.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura, dentro de los tres días del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de una sala de emergencias o de un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden empezar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Angeles, al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

En la mayoría de los casos, los padres son los que llevan al bebé. La ley permite que otras personas lleven al bebé si tienen la custodia legal del menor.

¿Los padres deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre puede llevar a su bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, mientras que entregue a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o de un cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital le pedirá que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para los cuidados que recibirá el bebé. Es recomendado llenar este cuestionario, pero no es obligatorio hacerlo.

¿Qué ocurrirá con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y, de ser necesario, recibirá tratamiento médico. Luego el bebé se entregará a un hogar preadoptivo.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre?

Una vez que los padres hayan entregado a su bebé en forma segura, serán libres de irse.

¿Por qué California hace esto?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés del abandono por parte de sus padres y de la posibilidad de que mueran o sufran daños. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Es posible que los padres que cometieron estos actos hayan estado atravesando dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus recién nacidos porque tenían miedo y no tenían adonde recurrir para obtener ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido lo pone en una situación de peligro extremo. Además es ilegal. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. Ahora, gracias a la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro, esta tragedia ya no debe suceder nunca más en California.

Historia de un bebé

A las 8:30 a.m. del jueves 25 de julio de 2002, se entregó un bebé recién nacido saludable en el St. Bernardine Medical Center en San Bernardino, en virtud de las disposiciones de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro. Como lo establece la ley, la madre del bebé no se tuvo que identificar. Cuando el bebé llegó a la sala de emergencias, un pediatra lo revisó y determinó que el bebé estaba saludable y no tenía problemas. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia, mientras se iniciaban los trámites de adopción.

Cada recién nacido merece una oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele qué otras opciones tiene.

Es mejor que las mujeres busquen ayuda para recibir atención médica y asesoramiento adecuado durante el embarazo. Pero al mismo tiempo, queremos asegurarles a los padres que optan por no quedarse con su bebé que no irán a la cárcel si dejan a sus bebés en buenas manos en cualquier sala de emergencia de un hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.

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Ched	ck the Certification below that is applicable to your company.
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH Contracts Development and Administration Division

CONTRACTING WITH MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED FIRMS PERCENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP IN FIRM

PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS

	Contractor/Firm		Black/African American		Hispanic/Latin American		Asian American		White	
		Status	% Men	% Women	% Men	% Women	% Men	% Women	% Men	% Women
1	Allen Ambulance Service	P		100						
2	American Medical Response of Southern California	Р							100	
3	AmeriCare Ambulance Service	Р							100	
4	Antelope Ambulance Service	P							100	
5	APT Ambulance Company, Inc.	Р	90		10					
6	Bowers Ambulance Service	Р							100	
7	Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc.	P							100	
8	Guardian Medical Transportation, Inc.	P							80	20
9	MedReach, Inc.	P								100
10	Mercy Ambulance Service	Р							100	
11	Rescue Services International, Ltd.	P							100	
12	West Coast Ambulance	Р						·	100	
13	Schaefer Ambulance Service	Р							15	85
14	Priority One Medical Transport	P							100	

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